ND EMS Update – COVID-19 4/14/2020

Daily Reminders/Misc.

- Watch Governor Burgum's update Monday through Saturday (unless otherwise noted) at 3:30 pm CST (available on local news or NDDOH social media).
- Reminder: NREMT has extended their certification expiration to June 30 of 2020.
- All previous updates are archived on our website, and can be found here: https://www.health.nd.gov/epr/emergency-medical-systems/covid-19-ems/
- We are here for you! We are here to help you find resources for fit-testing if you have been unable to find any, and our HAN asset ordering system (link below) is available for your use!
 Please call us in the Department Operations Center at 701-328-0707 and ask to speak to an EMS staff person for assistance.

New and Current Guidance/Items of Interest

- *NEW* COVID-19 Updates from the National Institute of Health—check here for information on clinical trials and other studies being conducted.
- *NEW* ems.gov is offering two upcoming webinars for EMS providers:
 - Emergency Department: Patient Care and Clinical Operations will take place on Thursday, April 16th—register here.
 - o EMS: Patient Care and Operations will take place on Monday, April 20th–register here.
- If you are a member of NAEMT, they are partnering with Hilton and American Express to provide hotel
 rooms to frontline medical professionals in the U.S. during the COVID-19 pandemic. Click here for
 more information.
- How to obtain Cares Act grant funding for EMS payroll <u>here.</u>
- ND PSAPs/State Radio are requesting that if your ambulance service or QRU is experiencing difficulty responding due to staffing or other reasons, please keep communication open and clear with dispatch about when you are <u>unavailable</u>.

Links

- NDDOH Website https://www.health.nd.gov/
- CDC Website https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html
- International Critical Incident Stress Foundation COVID-19 Resources: https://icisf.org/covid19-resources/
- ND HAN Website http://hanassets.nd.gov/
- EMS.gov Coronavirus/COVID-19 Resources https://www.ems.gov/projects/coronavirus_covid-19_resources.html
- COVID-19 Peak Predictions https://covid19.healthdata.org/projections

Thank you, and be safe!

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